

## ORDINANCE NO. 3858

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, AMENDING THE ANIMAL BENEFIT FUND PROVISIONS OF ECC 5.05.127.2; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, the City of Edmonds has adopted Chapter 5.05 in order to regulate licensing of pets and problems attendant to the keeping of animals within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Edmonds by ordinance created an Animal Benefit Fund, set forth in Edmonds City Code Chapter 5.05.172.2, for the purpose of granting financial assistance towards the cost of obtaining spay or neuter services by the City's designated veterinarian(s); and

WHEREAS, the City would like to provide funding for such financial assistance;  
NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, DO  
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. ECC 5.05.127.2 Animal benefit fund established is hereby amended to read as follows (new text shown in underline; deleted text shown in ~~strike-through~~):

**5.05.127.2 Animal benefit appropriation~~benefit fund established~~.**

A. The City Council may from time to time appropriate during its annual budgeting process an amount~~There is hereby established an animal benefit fund~~ for the purpose of financially assisting low-income city of Edmonds residents in obtaining spay or neuter services for their dogs or cats, and providing for spay and neuter services for stray dogs and cats from the city's animal control service area that are placed at and retained by the city designated shelter, and dogs and cats owned by citizens residing within the city's animal control service area that are surrendered at the city designated shelter prior to their adoption back into the community. Application may be made to the city of Edmonds animal benefit appropriation~~fund~~ to effectuate this purpose.

B. The city may grant a financial assistance voucher to a resident in the amount of \$30.00 to be applied toward the costs of obtaining spay or neuter services for an animal by the city's designated veterinarian(s); provided, that except in cases involving the spay or neuter of owner-surrendered or stray animals that will be returned to the city's designated animal shelter, proof of the animal owner's city of Edmonds residency, as well as a statement of financial need, shall be required as a prerequisite to receiving said financial assistance voucher.

C. After performing the necessary spay or neuter surgery upon an animal, the city's designated veterinarian(s) may submit an invoice to the city of Edmonds requesting reimbursement. The invoice will be paid at full cost of agreed upon prevailing industry standards for spay and neuter services for stray dogs and cats from the city's animal control service area that are placed at and retained by the city designated shelter, and dogs and cats owned by citizens residing within the city's animal control service area that are surrendered at the city designated shelter.

D. After performing the necessary spay or neuter surgeries upon an animal, the city's designated veterinarian(s) may submit an invoice for \$30.00 for the financial assistance voucher. For the financial assistance voucher, the invoice shall be submitted with a photocopy of said voucher attached, shall be signed by a veterinarian, and shall contain the following information:

1. Identification of the animal.
2. Identification of the person requesting the spay or neuter services for the animal.
3. Identification of the specific type of spay or neuter services performed.
4. Date of performance of the spay or neuter services.

E. Within 30 days of receiving an invoice for spay or neuter services performed by the city's designated veterinarian(s), the city shall provide payment to the designated veterinarian in the amount of \$30.00 per financial assistance voucher or paid at full cost of agreed upon prevailing industry standards for spay and neuter services for stray dogs and cats from the city's animal control service area that are placed at and retained by the city designated shelter, and dogs and cats owned by citizens residing within the city's animal control service area that are surrendered at the city designated shelter. Said amount shall be drawn exclusively from the city's animal benefit appropriation~~fund~~.

Section 2.      Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3.     Effective Date.   This ordinance, being an exercise of a power specifically delegated to the City legislative body, is not subject to referendum, and shall take effect five (5) days after passage and publication of an approved summary thereof consisting of the title.

APPROVED:

  
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MAYOR MIKE COOPER

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

  
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CITY CLERK, SANDRA S. CHASE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

BY   
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JEFFREY B. TARADAY

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK:	11-10-2011
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:	11-15-2011
PUBLISHED:	11-20-2011
EFFECTIVE DATE:	11-25-2011
ORDINANCE NO.	3858

## SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 3858

of the City of Edmonds, Washington

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On the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011, the City Council of the City of Edmonds, passed Ordinance No. 3858. A summary of the content of said ordinance, consisting of the title, provides as follows:

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The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed upon request.

DATED this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011.

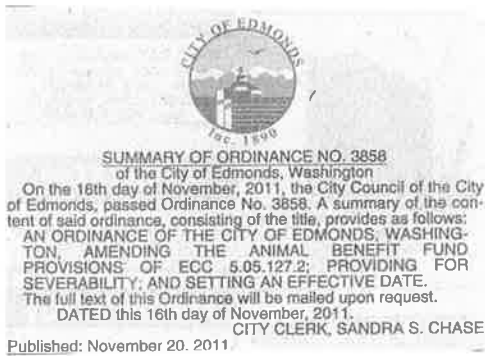
  
CITY CLERK, SANDRA S. CHASE

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# Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF WASHINGTON,  
COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH

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The undersigned, being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says that she is Principal Clerk of THE HERALD, a daily newspaper printed and published in the City of Everett, County of Snohomish, and State of Washington; that said newspaper is a newspaper of general circulation in said County and State; that said newspaper has been approved as a legal newspaper by order of the Superior Court of Snohomish County and that the notice

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a printed copy of which is hereunto attached, was published in said newspaper proper and not in supplement form, in the regular and entire edition of said paper on the following days and times, namely:

November 20, 2011

and that said newspaper was regularly distributed to its subscribers during all of said period.

Jody Snohl Principal Clerk

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

21st

day of

November, 2011

[Signature]  
Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, residing at Everett, Snohomish County.